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Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp; Withdrawal of Food Additive
Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal, without prejudice to a future filing, of a food additive petition (FAP 9B4680) proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the expanded safe use of 5,7-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-3-hydroxy-2(3H)-benzofuranone, reaction products with o-xylene as an antioxidant and/or stabilizer in olefin polymers, adhesives, pressure-sensitive adhesives, and ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymers intended for use in contact with food.

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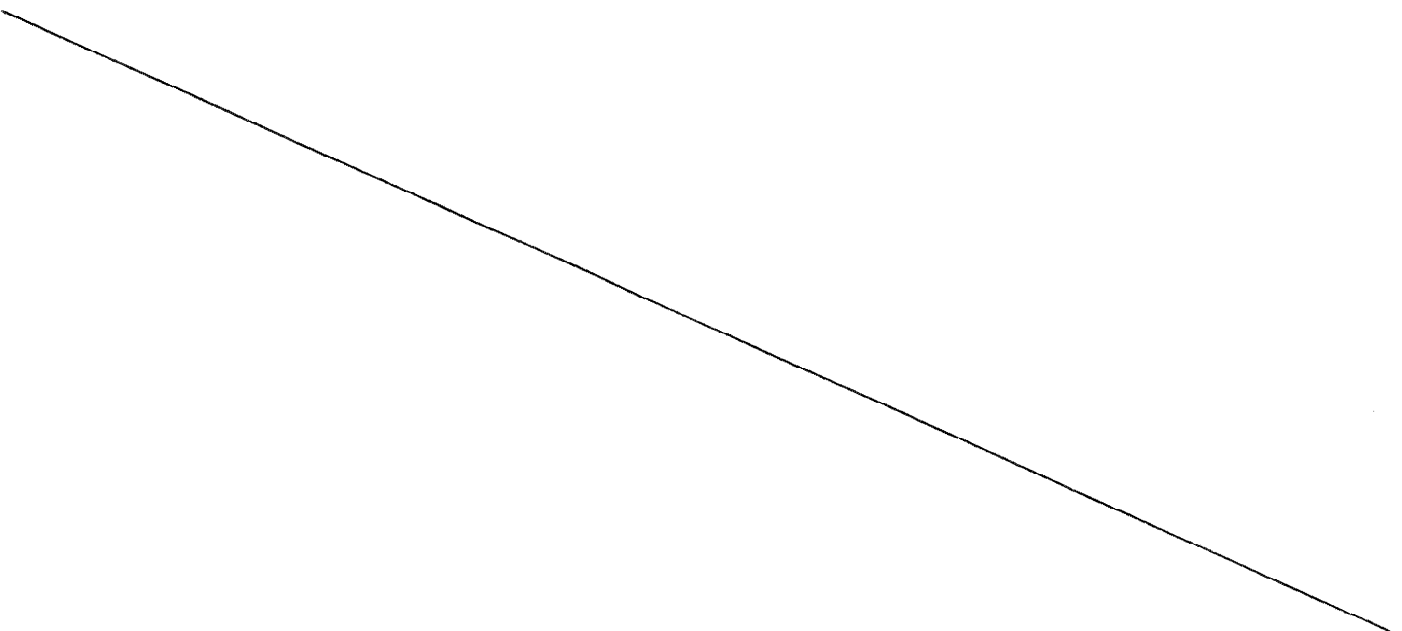
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the FEDERAL REGISTER of August 6, 1999 (64 FR 42950), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 9B4680) had been filed by Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp., 540 White Plains Rd., Tarrytown, NY 10591-9005. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 178.2010 *Antioxidants and/or stabilizers for polymers* (21 CFR 178.2010) to provide for the expanded safe use of 5,7-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-3-hydroxy-2(3H)-benzofuranone, reaction products with o-xylene as an antioxidant and/or stabilizer for olefin polymers complying with 21 CFR 177.1520, adhesives complying with 21 CFR 175.105, pressure-sensitive adhesives complying with 21 CFR 175.125, and ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymers



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complying with §177.1350 intended for use in contact with food.
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. has now withdrawn the petition
without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

Dated: 11/16/01.

November 16, 2001.

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